

What is claimed is:

1. A risk bid market system, comprising:  
a computer system for hosting a plurality of  
software bidding modules respectively corresponding to  
5 a plurality of bidders;  
an interface through which a client submits  
information to the computer system; and  
communication means, for communicating in  
real time data, from the plurality of bidders to their  
10 respective bidding modules, wherein the information  
provided by the client to the computer system cannot be  
communicated to the bidders through the communication  
means.
- 15 2. A system according to Claim 1, further  
comprising a gateway/bid processor between the  
interface and the computer system, through which the  
information is passed to either the client or bidders  
or both.
- 20 3. A system according to Claim 2, wherein  
the gateway/bid processor notifies the client and one  
of the bidders of the execution of a trade.

5            5.    A system according to Claim 1, wherein  
the information comprises bid information.

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software bidding modules respectively corresponding to  
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providing portfolio or block order  
10 information by the client to the bidding modules to  
obtain a bid from the same, wherein the client-provided  
information cannot be communicated to the bidders  
through the communication link.

hosting in a computer system a plurality of software bidding modules respectively corresponding to a plurality of bidders;

20                    through a communication link, supplying real-time data by the plurality of bidders to their respective bidding modules to maintain the same; and providing portfolio or block order information by the client to the bidding modules to

obtain a bid from the same, wherein the client-provided information cannot be communicated to the bidders through the communication link, and wherein the client remain anonymous from the bidders.

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